

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration of this application in view of the discussion below is respectfully requested.

Claims 60, 65-84, and 88-108 are pending.

I. Rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, First Paragraph

Claims 60, 62 and 65-87 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as containing subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

The Examiner has maintained the rejection on the basis that there is not sufficient evidence that the specification does not evidence the possession of all the possible antagonists that could be capable of inhibiting angiogenesis. Applicants maintain the previous traversal because failure to recite every possible species under a genus is not, of itself, a reason to deny a claim that recites a generic element. However, in an effort to promote administrative efficiency, Applicants have provided amended and new claims that recite preferred embodiments. The amendments to the previously pending claims are not to be construed as acquiescence to the pending rejection and Applicants therefore reserve the right to submit the withdrawn subject matter in a continuing application.

In view of the amended and new claims, Applicants respectfully request that the rejections be withdrawn and the now pending claims pass on to allowance.

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II. Summary

Applicants believe that a complete response is provided in the foregoing remarks to each grounds for rejection raised by the Examiner. Applicants submit that patentable subject matter exists with regard to the pending claims and therefore respectfully request favorable action and entry of the presents Amendments and Response. The application is now believed to be in proper condition for allowance and early notification of allowance is earnestly solicited. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if it would be deemed helpful to advance the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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